CBI raids in coal companies

2428. SHRI DATTA MEGHE. Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), alongwith the vigilance units of the organization conducted raids on the premises of coal companies in the country on 22nd November 2005 for various irregularities committed there;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the departmental action taken by Government against the officers of coal companies for committing various irregularities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO): (a) and (b) As per the information provided by CBI, it conducted searches in Kolkata and Bilaspur on 22.11. 2005. Besides this, CBI, in association with vigilance units of various 'coal companies, conducted surprise checks at various locations of coal companies/collieries on 22.11.2005. Details of the places of search and surprise checks are as follows—

Places of search.

1. Office premises of Coal India Limited, 15, Park Street, Kolkata
2. Office premises of South Eastern Coalfields Limited, Seepat Road, Bilaspur. Chhattisgarh

Details of joint surprise checks

1. Two joint surprise checks at Area Office, Kalinga Area, MCL Talchar and Area Office, lb Valley Area, MCL, Brajrajnagar.
2. Four joint surprise checks at North Eastern Coalfieds, at Margherita, Distt. Tinsukia, Assam and one at the office of the Chief General Manager, NEC, Guwahati.

3 Joint surprise checks at Wani Railway Siding, Wani North Area, Western Coalfields Limited, District Yavatmal.

4. One joint surprise check at Regional Stores of CCL, Kathara.

5. One joint surprise check at Katrasgarh Railway Station/Electronic Weigh Bridge of Katrasgarh Railway Station, BCCL, Dhanbad. Simultaneous joint surprise check at Akashkinari Weigh Bridge, Area-Ill, BCCL, Dhanbad.

6. One joint surprise check at Kalyanpur of Piparwar Project of Central Coalfields Limited.

7. Joint surprise checks at various places in Dipika Expansion Project of Gevra Area of SECL, Bilaspur and Gevra Road Siding of Gevra Project.

8. Joint surprise checks at (i) O/o Agent, Bankola Colliery, Bankola, P.O. Ukhra, District Burdwan (ii) Ashram of Sadguru SadafalDCO Vihangam Yog Sansthan, No 4 Colony of Bankola Colliery (iii) O/ o Agent, Dalurband Colliery and Nine (9) Incline Drift under Pandaveswar Area (iv) Tilaboni Colliery and O/o General Manager, Bankola Area, ECL, Bankola.

9. Joint surprise check at Ttilaboni Colliery and O/o General Manager, Bankola Area, ECL, Bankola.

(c) The Government/Coal Company has not received any report from CBI regarding the above searches/surprise checks. It will take appropriate departmental action against officers found guilty on receipt of report from CBI. after approval of competent authority.

However, CBI has informed that they have recommended Regular Departmental Action (Major) against the erring officials in one of the checks conducted at Bankola Colliery, Eastern Coalfields Limited **(ECL).** Appropriate action in the matter as per the Conduct, Discipline and Appeal Rules of the company, would be taken by CMD ECL, the disciplinary authority in respect of the officials concerned.

Profit earned by S.E.C.L.

+2429. SHRIMATI KAMLA MANHAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state

(a) the details of the profits of S.E.C.L. during the last five years, year-wise; and

(b) the details of basic facilities provided by S.E.C.L. in the affected areas during the last five years, year-wise?

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.